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Invitation to Attend Space Launch
29 September 1988

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William M. Baker *MB*
Director, Public Affairs

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JUDGE:

RE: Invitation to Attend Space Launch
National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Kennedy Space Center, Florida
29 September 1988

James C. Fletcher, Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), has invited you to attend the launch of the Space Shuttle Discovery (STS-26), now scheduled for 29 September at 9:59 A.M. EDT at the Kennedy Space Center, Florida. NASA plans to fly you and other guests on a 5:00 A.M. breakfast flight that day from Andrews Air Force Base to the Kennedy Space Center for the launch. After a four-day flight, Discovery with its five-member crew is scheduled to land on 3 October at 7:55 PDT in a dry lakebed landing runway at Edwards Air Force Base, California.

Since you will be departing 30 September for St. Louis and will be traveling overseas for an extended period of time, I recommend that you decline this invitation. If you agree, a letter is attached for your signature.

WMB

Bill Baker

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Central Intelligence Agency



Washington, D.C. 20505

27 SEP 1988

Mr. James C. Fletcher
Administrator
National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Washington, DC 20546

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

Thank you for your invitation to attend the launch of the Space Shuttle Discovery (STS-26) from the Kennedy Space Center on Thursday, the 29th of September. It was kind of you to think of me. I would like very much to be there for the event, but unfortunately, must decline because of longstanding travel plans.

We will certainly be thinking of you and the other participants in the launch. I hope this will be a most successful flight.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Bill

William H. Webster
Director of Central Intelligence



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The Honorable James C. Fletcher
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Washington, DC 20546

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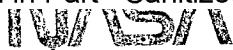
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give me a rain check.*



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Space Administration

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88-3470X

September 2, 1988

Honorable William H. Webster
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Dear Mr. Webster:

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This launch represents a significant step in America's return to leadership in manned space flight. To celebrate this important event, NASA will fly our guests to the launch. The day's activities will start with a breakfast flight departing at 5:00 a.m. on the morning of the launch from Andrews Air Force Base, outside of Washington, DC, to the Kennedy Space Center.

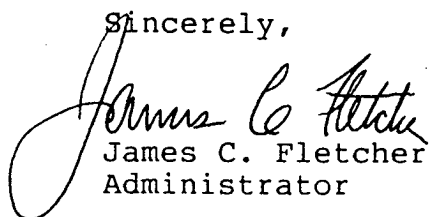
While we do not have a launch date at this time, may we know now whether you will be able to accept this invitation? Please call Mrs. Evelyn Thames or Mrs. Sharon Lord, Public Services Division, 202/453-8315, to tell us your decision. NASA is not able to furnish transportation for the landing, however, they can give you information about passes for the special viewing site at Edwards Air Force Base, California. The established launch and landing dates will be available by calling our 24-hour, nationwide information service number 202/755-8363.

NASA has made significant progress in the past two years, and we are confident that the entire Space Transportation System is now ready to return safely to manned space flight starting with this four-day mission. The STS-26 crew--commander Rick Hauck, pilot Dick Covey, and mission specialists Mike Lounge, Dave Hilmers, and Pinky Nelson--will be deploying a NASA tracking and data relay satellite and conducting experiments in the fields of microgravity, life sciences, atmospheric science, and infrared communications experiments, as well as two student experiments.

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I certainly hope you will be a part of this triumphant return of space shuttle flights.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James C. Fletcher".

James C. Fletcher
Administrator

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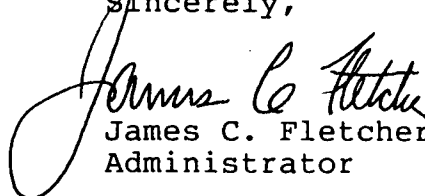
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A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James C. Fletcher". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

James C. Fletcher
Administrator